

Woman's World

A Beautiful Bas-relief
of a Suffrage Pioneer.



SUSAN B. ANTHONY.

The historical department of the Smithsonian institution at Washington has just accepted and placed on view a bronze bas-relief of the late Susan B. Anthony by Michael Jacobs, a painter and sculptor of note residing in that city.

The bas-relief, which is in the "modern style," being of the school of Rodin, is a noteworthy example of the present tendency in sculpture, which is to keep the relief as low as possible. The relief on the medallion of Miss Anthony is only one-fourth of an inch high. The picture is that of a thoughtful idealist, with just a suggestion of the unconquerable fire which shone out through the bold personality of the great suffrage leader.

As a compliment to the National American Woman Suffrage association, of which Miss Anthony was president from 1892 until her death in 1900, Mr. Jacobs has had cast a second copy of the bas-relief, which was formally presented to the national association during its forty-seventh annual convention in Washington Dec. 14 to 19.

Mr. Jacobs is well known as a portrait painter, having executed many commissions for titled Europeans during his stay abroad.

Infant's Knitted Afghan.

This is a beautiful robe, consisting of five strips, two blue and three strips white, length 32 inches, with crocheted shell border to finish.

Materials—Five bands white, 4 fold Germanstown; 4 bands, color blue; 2 bone knitting needles, No. 6; 1 bone crocheting hook, No. 4. With white yarn cast on 39 stitches. Knit plain until strip is 32 inches long. Bind off loosely. With colored yarn cast on 31 stitches.

First Row—Knit plain.

Second Row—Knit 1. yarn over, knit 3, pass the first over second and third stitch. Repeat from * to end of row.

Third Row—Knit plain.

Fourth Row—* knit 3, pass the first over the second and third stitch, yarn over, repeat from * to end of row. Repeat these four rows until strip is 32 inches long. Join strips by working one row of sg. c. down both sides of each strip with white yarn. With colored yarn join the strips together with sg. c., taking up back stitch of each strip.

Border—With white yarn work a row of shells of G. d. c. Fasten, shell down with 1 sg. c. Finish with picot edge of colored yarn.

Rubber Plant's Winter Cure.

Rubber plants need a sun bath every day. Their feet should be kept damp, but not wet. The leaves should be washed twice a week in good soapuds and rinsed in clear water.

When the pot gets too full of roots repot the plant. Also give it a dose of diluted ammonia occasionally.

With regard to the housewife's potted plants generally, Uncle Sam says she should chase the woolly white mealy bugs and the little red ants away from them with a toothpick. She may drown the red spider with a squirt gun. If the bugs and spiders shatter your preparedness program you are advised to cut the plants off within an inch of their lives and throw the cuttings away. The plants will grow again.

The green fly, which is not so green as it looks, won't bother your plants if you keep them well bathed and fed.

For Dry Cleaning.

In cleaning any fabric with gasoline or similar fluid it sometimes happens that a ring is left around the garment in process of cleansing. To prevent such a ring it is recommended that by adding common table salt to the gasoline used spots can often be removed from delicate fabrics in a most satisfactory manner.

If, however, a ring has been left the place cleansed should be wet again and immediately covered while still damp with fuller's earth, extending just beyond the ring. Let this remain on for some time, and when brushed off the spot should have disappeared. Gypsum may be used in like manner instead of the fuller's earth if preferred.

1916 Is Baby Year

The facts about American babies, the needs of American babies and America's responsibility to her babies will this year be known as never before, because the first week in March will be baby week throughout the country.

More than 400 communities, representing every state in the Union, are already laying their plans for baby week, according to the children's bureau of the United States department of labor, in order that during those seven days the needs of the babies may be so presented that all the parents in those communities will learn a little better how to care for their babies and all the citizens will realize that they have a special obligation to safeguard the conditions surrounding babies. It is confidently believed by those who are interested in this nation wide baby week that the remainder of the year will be marked by a strengthening of all community activities for saving babies' lives and giving them a better chance to grow to a healthy maturity.

The baby week idea originated in Chicago not quite two years ago. Then New York had a baby week and Pittsburgh and other cities. Such practical benefit has in each case resulted that the General Federation of Women's Clubs has undertaken to promote this nation wide observance. State health officials and national organizations interested in public health and child welfare have taken up the plan and in various ways are giving it not only their sanction, but their active co-operation. The extension divisions of the state universities have promised special assistance in interesting and helping baby week in rural communities.

Baby week will give more parents a chance to learn the accepted principles of infant care and will awaken every American to his responsibility for the deaths of the 300,000 babies who, according to the census estimates, die every year before they are twelve months old.

FOR THE TODDLER.

With Its Bolero, This Small Gown Is Smart as Anything.

Cut of white broadcloth on boxy lines, this small gown for the small girl is modish with hand embroidery.



A 1916 MODEL.

done in pale blue worsteds. The belt, cuffs and bolero are of pale blue broadcloth, and ruffles finish the flat collar and cuffs.

For Contagions.

It is important that the mother or nurse who is attending a child ill with a contagious disease should take a walk in the fresh air every day. The best way to arrange this is for her to keep a change of clothing in the next room. She should also bathe before leaving the quarantined room. If a bathroom has been set aside for quarantine she can use this; if not, a screen and a basin in the sickroom will have to answer. Then she can slip into the next room and put on fresh clothing.

She should leave the house by the back way preferably or, at any rate, avoid coming in contact with any of the occupants of the house. Once in the street she should not use the street cars nor enter any other house and avoid as much as possible touching any one.

The fumigation of a sickroom after a contagious disease is done by the board of health upon request in most cities, or it can be done by the family under directions of the physician.

Eskimo Sets.

For the littiest boy on his wintry rambles there come the comfiest brushed wool and knit sets that incase him from head to toe in frostproof armor. They consist of a little round cap topped with a pompon of wool or a woolen tassel or even a bit of fur, a close buttoned sweater, long tights and leggings combined and a pair of mittens or woolen gloves. The young hopeful rigged up in these garments looks like a very small cinnamon bear or a snow man, according to the color chosen.

Chestnut Dressing.

Boil a quart of shelled chestnuts in salted water until tender. While warm mash to a paste, adding a teaspoonful of salt, a dash of paprika and half the quantity of breadcrumbs, two tablespoonfuls of melted butter and a teaspoonful of poultry dressing. Blend the ingredients thoroughly, and if a moist dressing is required add a cupful of boiling milk.

A SCHOOL FROCK.

All Modish Goes This
Maiden Back to Classroom.



A SATISFACTORY DESIGN.

This simple frock is made of navy blue and red plaid gaberdine and trimmed with white pearl buttons. A red patent leather belt matches the smart little four-in-hand of red velvet ribbon. The collar and cuffs are of white pique.

KITCHEN CUES.

Simple Ways of Doing Simple Things
Intelligently and Well.

To prevent potatoes becoming black when cooked put them into cold water and when brought to the boil squeeze a little lemon juice in. They will then keep a good color and be of good flavor.

Before using tinware of any kind rub it well over with fresh lard. If treated in this way it will never rust.

Slip a thimble on the curtain rod when running it through the hem of the curtain.

The tops of pale covered evening gloves make very dainty shoes for babies.

For a homemade coal box procure a wooden lard bucket from the grocer. Remove the wire handle and clean thoroughly inside and outside with strong soda water, one pound to a gallon of boiling water. Purchase a three penny bottle of oak varnish and when the bucket is dry apply over evenly and quickly. Leave for several hours. Get two penny bronze handles and screw one on each side, and the article is complete. The outside cost of this is a quarter, and it looks as well as one costing several times that amount.

White satin shoes should always be kept in blue paper to prevent them from becoming discolored.

After fowl of any kind is cleaned the inside should be rubbed thoroughly with a piece of lemon before the dressing is put in.

When ivory handled knives look yellow rub them with fine sandpaper or emery. It will take off the spots and restore the whiteness.

If clothespins are dipped in white enamel paint and dried in the sun they can be kept perfectly clean and will not split or mark the clothes.

Tin that has become rusty of stained may be cleaned by dipping the cut surface of a raw potato in fine brick and rubbing well with this.

Unbleached Muslin Spread.

Every woman likes to own a hand-made spread, but the majority of spreads call for such expensive materials that few women can afford to indulge in the luxury. However, here is a spread which is within almost every woman's reach. It can be duplicated for about \$5. The spread is made of unbleached muslin. All over its surface conventional scrolls are outlined by means of huge French knots. On the spread in question white knots are used, but there is no reason why one could not use colored cotton to carry out the color scheme employed in one's bedroom. The edge of the spread is finished with cotton fringe.

In place of a quilting party why not have a spread party? The work will then be quickly and pleasantly done.

A Kitchen Hint.

Keep a piece of pumice stone in the kitchen to clean the iron with. It will instantly remove those particles of starch that adhere to the iron and will also remove rust or dirt. A careful rubbing with pumice before you put the iron on to heat will prevent any possibility of dirty marks on the delicate linens and laces.

A COAT FOR JANUARY.

Built on Good Lines and Slightly
Dressier Than a Topcoat.



AGAIN NAVY BLUE.

Fashioned of navy broadcloth, fastened with novelty buttons, banded, cuffed and collared with Hudson seal and belted in a tier, this coat, so warmly lined with heavy taffeta, makes a serviceable winter garment for walking. The jaunty turban, so suitable for this kind of coat, has a background of osprey feathers.

FIRST AID ESSENTIALS.

What Mothers Should Keep In the
Bathroom Medicine Closet.

Accidents will happen as long as we are human, and particularly so while we are children. But the irritating part about accidents is that we do not expect them and that they all have one thing in common—they happen at the wrong time. When you have no peroxide you cut your finger. When Charlie burned his hand at the bonfire you were without olive oil or ointment to soothe the pain. So, the wisest thing to do is to be prepared for war in time of peace, to talk in the language of the day. A good many serious results have been avoided by having a wound dressed properly in the nick of time. Every household, and that means every mother, ought to have a little box, cabinet or other safe place always filled with a few essentials which will prevent unfortunate consequences.

Antiseptics for small wounds should be the first essential.

A small bottle of linseed oil and lime water oil comes next. And you know that it is the open blister which sometimes causes tetanus.

Boric acid to wash out sores before putting the dressing on is not to be dispensed with. Turpentine is also a splendid thing against infection of sores from rusty nails.

Do not let us forget the almost inevitable bottle of castor oil or milk of magnesia in case of fever and indigestion. A small quantity of essence of peppermint and spirits of ammonia should also be added, because sick stomach is a frequent occurrence with the little ones. A box of bicarbonate of soda and one filled with epsom salts are indispensable.

French Coffee.

One quart of water to one cupful of very finely ground coffee. Put coffee grounds in bowl, pour over about half a pint of cold water and let stand for fifteen minutes. Bring remaining water to a boil, take coffee in bowl and strain through a fine sieve; then take French coffee pot, put coffee grounds in strainer at top of French pot, leaving water in bowl; then take boiling water and pour over coffee very slowly; then set coffee pot on stove for five minutes; must not boil; take off and pour in cold water from bowl that coffee was first cooled in to settle. Serve in another pot. The French, who have the reputation of making the best coffee, use three parts Java to one part Mocha.

Skating Corset.

The skating vogue has been responsible for all manner of dress accessories from shoes to caps, with the inclusion of jackets and suits between. And now comes the skating corset, designed especially for the devotees of that exhilarating sport. This particular type of corset has silk webbing over the hips, and the fact that there is no steel down the front makes every movement exceedingly easy and graceful. The corset comes in pink, delicately trimmed. Its price is a little over \$5.

An Impossible Ideal?

Perhaps, after all, the real danger is not that women will ever forget the value of the home and their obligation to it, but that men will never entirely learn them.

We are indebted to that gifted and charming essayist, Elizabeth Woodbridge, for the following: "To say that it is woman's task to make the home is to miss its most exquisite meaning. No one of the group can make the home, though any one can mar it. It must be made by all for the uses of all."

Well, if it is one thing for all to use the home, it is another thing for all—and by that we mean every one under the roof-tree—to help make the home.

And we will probably never learn the true significance of this difference unless we first distinctly understand that making a home is more, far more, than a matter of cooking food and making beds, of fetching and carrying and running the vacuum cleaner.

There can be no quarrel with that division of labor which makes household tasks very largely a woman's business and breadwinning outside the home a man's business.

But after both men and women have accomplished thus much there still remains the finest part of the task of homemaking.

It lies in heart interest, in love for the home as an institution and in a thorough belief in its sacredness. A woman once said, "I can conceive of such a fine interpretation of the meaning and value of home that in case of difficulty or disagreement between two people the very ideal of the home itself would outweigh the personal element and conserve unity."

The idea that two people might be willing to submerge personal differences to the larger ideal of home itself may be an ambitious conception, but surely not impossible. And in this role of homemaker a man may serve as largely and as truly as a woman.

A NOVEL HAT.

This Chapeau Has All the Winter
Hallmarks of Style.

Brimless, tall crowned and of black velvet, this interesting hat answers two other dictates of fashion, in that



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It features a stickup of glazed leather edged with fur. This kid wing is secured by two black velvet buttons natively placed.

Chiffon Powder Puff Bags.

It is not a difficult feat to manufacture a wide mouthed bag from pink, blue or lavender chiffon gathered on to a round or oval embroidery ring. Hangers of satin ribbon to match the bag should be fastened across like the handle of a basket and tacked to the ring on either side with rosettes of the ribbon and small chiffon or satin roses. Within the bag put a dozen small puffs made of absorbent cotton, drawn in at one side like a made puff by a string of narrow ribbon. Hung in the guest room or on any dressing table these individual puffs will prove useful where there are visitors, and the puffs can be replaced as those used are thrown away.

Welsh Rabbit.

Cut one or two slices of white bread about a quarter of an inch thick, toast on both sides and butter well. Take half a pound of cheddar cheese, grate it and put it into a small pan with two tablespoonfuls of cream, a teaspoonful of mustard, a dust of pepper, and stir these all together over the fire till the mixture is like cream. Cut the toast into square pieces and place them on a hot dish. Pour the cheese mixture over them and serve at once.

Club Sandwiches.

On a slice of bread put a lettuce leaf, next slices of thin crisp bacon, next slices of chicken and mayonnaise; then cover with a slice of bread and toast lightly on either side.

For the Children

Little Miss Robbins
Coasting in New York.



Photo by American Press Association.

Snow in Central park, New York city, is a great source of pleasure to the little people who live in the vicinity of the city's greatest playground. The young miss in the picture, who is so gayly taking advantage of the fun provided by a fall of snow, is Miss Frances Robbins, daughter of Mr. Henry Pelham Robbins. She is making the most of the snow. Lying flat on her speedy sled, she is dashing down the hill, shouting to those in her path to clear the way. Such scenes are very common in New York city this winter, as old King Eoreas has been kind enough to send his snow sprites to distribute his favors in the big town. Grown people don't care so very much for snow in the city, but the little people think it's splendid fun.

"The Trades of the Dumb."

Any number of children can play this game, and it is amusing and interesting. Let one player repair to the hall or to another room and decide what trade he will represent. When ready he knocks on the door and enters. Without a word or a smile he begins by motions to show what his chosen trade is. Perhaps he is a carpenter. Then he pretends to hammer nails, to saw or plane a board. Perhaps he is a coachman. In that case he makes believe to drive a horse, to turn a carriage or make the steed go. A tailor sews and cuts imaginary cloth and tries on garments. A painter goes through the motions of painting, dipping an unseen brush into a pretended pail and spreading the paint on wall or floor. There are other trades. One may be a musician, a policeman, sweeper, dressmaker, milliner, farmer, butcher, baker, grocer or sailor.

If the player laughs or answers or speaks he must pay a forfeit when the game is over. The other players try their best by making funny remarks to cause him to laugh and lose his dumbness, and he has to be very alert not to get caught answering some question or suggestion.

"Parcel Post."

Players sit in a circle. Each person is supposed to be a package and is given a number. One person blindfolded is in the center. If there are more than fifteen players there may be two or more players blindfolded. When the players in the center call two or more numbers the players answering to those numbers shall exchange places and are liable to be caught by the center players during the exchange. When the center players become tired trying to catch any one they may call, "General delivery!" At once every one jumps up and runs for a new seat. When a player is caught he becomes the blindfolded one. Each one keeps the same number throughout the game.

Potato Peeling Race.

A potato peeling race is good fun if the party is informal and the guests not too daintily clad. The hostess provides a clean potato for each guest, and at a signal all start peeling at once. The one who gets through first and produces an unbroken peel gets the prize. This is more fun than an apple peeling contest because of the little knots and eyes in the potatoes.

The Cooky Cat.

Grandmamma made a cooky cat. Brown and spicy and round and fat. She set it up on the pantry shelf. Safe and sound, and said to herself, "Tomorrow morning when Bobby comes I'll give him that cat and some sugar plums." And grandmamma smiled and felt very glad. For Bobby was such a dear little lad. But, alas, when the house was dark and still The cooky cat felt a sudden thrill, For she heard the patter of tiny mice. Nearer and nearer they aily came. The cooky cat trembled through all her frame. They climbed to the shelf on which she sat. Alas, alas, for the cooky cat! She pleaded for mercy. The mice said: "Nay, For 'turn about' is, you see, fair play. A cat will always eat mice, and that Makes it fair for the mice to eat the cat!" —St. Nicholas.